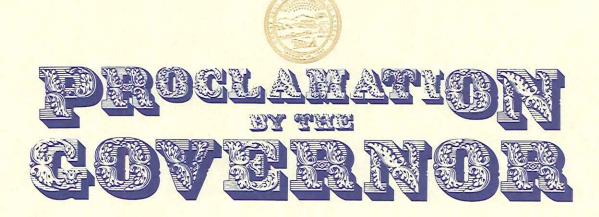
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TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Flood Awareness Week is an opportunity to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for and understanding flooding in Kansas, and to encourage all citizens to better prepare their homes, businesses and communities for the upcoming flood season; and

WHEREAS, 2011 saw unprecedented flooding along the Missouri River in North East Kansas and Wildcat Creek in Riley County and Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Kansas Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies flooding as one of the costliest types of natural disaster in Kansas, in terms of lives lost, injuries and property damage; and

WHEREAS, floods threaten people, homes and other property in every County in Kansas; and

WHEREAS, floods can happen anytime, anywhere and without warning; and

WHEREAS, damage from a flood is not normally covered under a standard homeowners policy; and

WHEREAS, this spring will bring seasonal rainfall, which can bring the potential for flooding; and

WHEREAS, the National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration's National Weather Service has named March 12-16, 2012, as National Flood Safety Awareness Week:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sam Brownback, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim March 12th – 16th of 2012, as

Flood Safety Awareness Week

in Kansas and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 24th day of February, A.D. 2012

BY THE GOVERNOR

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State

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